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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 19TH, 1908.

Any change affecting the "Mother of Parliaments" is a subject that naturally attracts more than a national interest. When extreme measures of the Radicals, forced through the House of Commons by sheer weight of numbers, have been rejected by the Upper Chamber, "Down with the Lords" has been favourite cry of the disappointed politicians. The feeling of which this is the expression is no new one. As far back as 1832 when the House of Lords impeded, the passage of the first Reform Bill threats were made to alter the constitution of the House, not so much by ending it as by appointing new peers who would vote as required. The dissenting Lords, however, absented themselves on the day the Bill came up for its final reading and this contingency was not resorted to. Since then there have been repeated agitations for the abolition of the House of Lords, but they have never crystallised into action of any kind, and the Gilded Chamber continues to exercise its influence on present day legislation. Admittedly the House of Lords is not all that it might be. It is one part of the constitution of Great Britain which has changed least with the progress of the country and the growth of the present political system, and even its most ardent admirers realise that the time is nigh when

it should be moulded in conformity with modern ideas on Constitutional Government.

At present the reform of the House of Lords is contemplated both from within and without. The Government have not only expressed the conviction that the veto of the Lords must be restricted, but have indicated their intention of introducing a bill to give effect to this. Nay more, the Premier, Mr. Asquith, has declared that this will be the dominating issue in the next session of Parliament. Consequently the question is likely to be one that will rouse no little debate in the immediate future. The reform proposals made from without the Gilded Chamber are of varying degrees, from total abolition to a mere limitation of the numbers who shall sit in the legislative assembly. The reforms proposed from within, however, are the most concrete before us, and they are not without a merit which will doubtless commend them to all but the most extreme on both sides. The Committee of the House of Lords in its report makes certain recommendations, the most important of which are the abolition of the hereditary right to a seat in the House of Lords; the introduction of the elective principle in providing that the peers themselves should appoint two hundred of their number to the positions of Lords of Parliament; the invitation to self-governing colonies to each send a representative to this Imperial Assembly; and the recognition of the knowledge and experience gained by men who have filled gubernatorial offices in the various Crown Colonies by giving them seats in the reconstructed Upper Chamber.

Looking at the first proposal mentioned, the abolition of the hereditary right to a seat in the House of Lords, it must be regarded as embodying a very drastic change. It goes right to the root of the constitution, and, were the principle accepted, it would have far-reaching effects in British polity. It may be urged in its favour that it is only a return to original principles. That may or may not appeal to the ultra-Conservative, but it is a matter of history that neither our Saxon nor Celtic forbears recognised the hereditary principle until feudalism had become established. They preferred to elect their rulers, and, it is interesting, to say the least, to see proposals being made to re-introduce the old system. Disguise it as we may, the co-existence of an elective chamber and a hereditary chamber, is an anomaly, and, though other countries and other peoples have done us the honour to accept the two-chamber principle which distinguishes the mother of Parliaments, none of them have followed our example by instituting an elective assembly and a non-elective assembly. No, they have established both houses on an elective basis. The franchise on which they are elected may not be very broad, but still the principle of election is there. Had the House of Lords not discharged its functions with some discretion, it is safe to say that it would not have remained as at present constituted for such a long period. Of course it has made mistakes, but so has the lower house. Naturally, when the upper house vetos a measure which has passed through the lower chamber there is a large body of opinion which regards the action of the Lords as "mistaken" and attention is consequently directed to the constitution of the House. Different ideas to those formerly held on the subject of popular representation prevail nowadays, and public opinion inclines to the belief that, if the House of Lords is to remain, it must undergo change. Even Peers themselves recognise this. Hereditary right, it is recommended, should not entitle a Peer to sit in the Upper House. The Peers should elect 200 of their number to sit in the legislative assembly, to be known as Lords of Parliament. Neither is this principle a new one. It obtains both in Scotland and Ireland. When the English and Scottish Parliaments were united, the Scottish Peers were not allowed to enter the English House of Lords. They had to elect sixteen of their number to represent them in that august assembly. This arrangement was due to the fact that in the Scotish Parliament Lords and Commons sat together. Again, on the union of the British and Irish Parliaments, the Irish Peers could not enter the British House of Lords in masse. They had to elect twenty-eight of their number. So, it will be seen, the principle is not altogether new. Its chief advantage will be that it will make the house a real body of legislators. The spasmodic legislator, the peer who only participates in the consideration of measures in an idle moment, will be excluded, and will give place to a more earnest body of politicians, because it follows that only those who are keenly interested in politics will offer themselves for election. At the same time it has to be remembered that even the reconstituted house will reflect the opinions

of the majority of the peers. If the majority of the Lords are Tariff Reformers it may be taken for granted that they will secure the return of a preponderance of Tariff Reformers to the House of Lords. There is one innovation, however, which may be expected to receive universal approval. That is the inclusion of nominees of the self-governing colonies and ex-governors of Crown Colonies. That will have the effect of investing the new House of Lords with an Imperial character and its deliberations will, in consequence, have greater weight. Even the voice of Hongkong can be heard there. Therefore, on the meager telegraphic information we possess of the recommendations we may regard the outline of the proposed changes in the constitution as fairly satisfactory, and, if reform is to be introduced, such a scheme will, while making the assembly more representative, retain the historical character of the Upper House in the constitution of the country.

Col. W. G. Bedford, C.M.G., Army Medical Service, on promotion has been appointed Administrative Medical Officer at Hongkong.

During the absence of the Ven. Archdeacon Banister from the Colony, the Rev. E. T. Barnett will be Acting Secretary of the Church Missionary Society.

Mr. Fletcher S. Brockman, National Y. M. C. A. Secretary for China, Korea and Hongkong, will address a meeting at the Y.M.C.A. Rooms on Sunday night.

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A native of Annam, Indo-China, sentenced in Paris for theft, wrote the following apology to his employer: "All Annamites, whether emperors, mandarins, secretaries, literary men, and others, are born thieves. It is a grave and deadly complaint, and there is no cure for it. I know people do not like thieves in France, but that cannot be helped."

Ten thousand pesos' worth of opium was seized last Sunday morning on board the U. S. cruiser *Charleston* lying off Manila behind the breakwater. It was found in possession of a Filipino named Arnedo, who, on arrest, claimed to be a Filipino laundryman from Cavite, where he lives. Twenty-five kilos of the drug, valued at P400 per kilo, are now in possession of the authorities and it is expected that still further arrests will be made.

Before Commander Basil R. H. Taylor, R.N., at the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday the master of a coolie boat was fined \$3 for failing to exhibit the necessary lights on his craft between sunset and sunrise. A junk master, for neglecting to furnish full particulars of the armament of his junk at the Harbour Office, was fined \$10 or a month; and the hearing of charges against five boatmen of mooring their craft within 100 yards of low marker mark was adjourned.

Dr. Peers in a communication to the *Times* last month said: "One feature of the present situation to which attention is given is the hoarded wealth lying unproductive in the Palace and amounting to millions sterling. The

bullion entrusted during the foreign military occupation of Peking in 1900-1901, first to the protection of the American General Chaffee, and afterwards to the English General Sir A. Gaselee, was estimated, approximately, at £9,000,000. Whatever was the amount of the hoard, it has since considerably increased. Under a more enlightened Regency there is hope that this treasure may become reproductive.

The ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Singapore Electric Tramways was held last month in London. Sir Frank A. Swettenham, who presided, moved the adoption of the report. He said that although the accounts for the year ended December 31 last showed a loss as the net result, yet there were a great many favourable features in the outcome of the year's working compared with that of the previous 12 months. During the latter part of 1907 there was a decided falling-off in the passengers and receipts compared with the figures of the early part of the year. It was found to be attributable to general depression in trade, which had been most severely felt by the Chinese, to whom the company looked for the bulk of the passenger receipts. The depression still continued, but the Governor of the colony had stated that in his opinion the worst had been reached, and that an improvement might be looked for. The supply of energy for lighting and power purposes continued to increase. Sir Charles Peers seconded the motion, which was adopted.

On Thursday the police visited a house in U. Lok Lane, West Point, to institute a search for opium. On arrival they were refused admission, and had to force the front door. When they entered the premises they arrested two natives who had apparently been washing a quantity of opium away, as traces of the drug were found in the kitchen drain. They were charged before Mr. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday with being in unlawful possession of a quantity of opium, and each defendant was fined \$50.

On Thursday while Mr. Jose G. Aquinas, a clerk residing at Shelley Street, was admiring the display in the window of the Lucas Scientific Diamond Palace, he was relieved of a gold watch and chain. Yesterday he decided to have another look at the diamonds with the object of apprehending some of the light-fingered gentry. He had not been gazing long at the window when he felt a hand in his coat pocket, and promptly seized the owner of it by the arm and handed him over to the police. The native was charged with larceny before Mr. J. R. Wood, found guilty, and sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

## EXHIBITION OF OIL PAINTINGS.

Many residents yesterday availed themselves of the opportunity of inspecting the fine collection of oil paintings from the Paris Salon now on exhibition at the City Hall. In their massive gilt frames the pictures range in size from about 6ft. x 5ft. to about 1ft. x 9in. There are among them works by artists who have already earned renown and the outstanding merit of many is obvious to all observers. The greatest work in the collection is one by Flager which depicts Napoleon being presented to Madame Beauharnais at Fontainebleau. There are in the picture some twenty or thirty portraits. The grouping and colouring is altogether admirable and the picture will be at once recognised as the work of a master hand. There is another fine work in the collection by the same painter, the subject being Talma, the actor, before Napoleon. Among other conspicuous examples of portraiture may be mentioned J. Renard's large work depicting a group of fishermen earnestly discussing a ship which is seen in distress on the horizon; four or five admirable pictures of scenes by J. Harley; two or three charming works by J. Zermati; and small works by G. Giardelli and N. Fernandy. Major General John F. Weston has turned over the command of the Philippine Division to Brigadier General Tasker H. Bliss at Fort Santiago and is proceeding home by the *Sheridan*.

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## LOCAL SPORT.

## CRICKET.

## LEAGUE MATCHES.

Three league matches are set down for this afternoon. They are: Telegraphs v. Kowloon; Engineers v. Hongkong "B"; Civil Service v. Hongkong "A".

Civil Service team—R. O. Hutchinson (Capt.), R. C. Barlow, F. A. Biden, R. E. O. Bird, L. E. Brett, H. Ellis, J. McEwan, H. R. Phillips, A. H. F. Raven, E. B. Reed, A. R. Sutherland, Reserve: Dr. Atkinson. Honkong "A" team—W. C. D. Turner, A. E. Lanning, H. R. Makin, E. A. Fowler, E. C. Oliver, R. N. Mackenzie, A. P. Dashwood, E. Irving, W. Waterhouse, Lt. E. J. H. Haughton and Lt. H. M. Liepmann, At the Club's ground; play to commence at 2.15.

Hongkong "B" Team against R. E. is: Messrs. R. Hancock, H. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, H. D. Sharpe, A. O. Lang, S. S. Logan, Walter J. Daniels, F. H. H. Stevens, P. Jacks, F. I. Gelthorpe and Lt. Sil, the Buffs. At the Happy Valley Military ground, play to commence at 2.15.

## LEAGUE TABLE.

The following is the League Table up to date:

Club	Played	Won	Lost	Drew	Per cent.
H.K.C.C. "B"	5	4	1	0	3
Civil Service	4	2	1	1	100
H.K.C.C. "A"	4	2	1	1	33.33
Telegraphs	4	2	2	3	0
Craigengower	7	2	2	3	0
R. G. Artillery	5	1	4	0	5
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Kowloon	4	1	2	1	1
Hongkong Police	4	1	2	1	1
Royal Engineers	4	1	3	0	2
N.B.—Win counts 1 point.					
A. Loss					—1
A. Draw				0	

## OTHER MATCHES.

"A" C. S. C. C. versus Watson's team. The following will represent the Civil Service on their ground at 2 p.m., this afternoon A. C. Davey (Capt.), F. Sutton, A. M. Thornhill, H. Coombs, J. Mackay, F. C. Peach, Reserves: C. Bond, E. W. Dawson, P. R. Adams, A. G. File, S. J. Taylor, G. G. Gibson.

Parsees play their first cricket match of the season against Craigengower, on the latter's ground.

Parsees will be represented by J. D. Noria (Captain) J. A. Chinoy, B. D. Tata, S. B. Batiwalla, N. Bezonje, R. Jeewaee, R. P. Pertonjee, A. Mowalla, J. P. Hora, P. F. Vapiwalla and K. D. Guzdar. Reserves: B. K. Mehta and B. K. Mody.

Craigengower's team will be composed of G. A. Hancock (Capt.), H. L. Manderson, H. E. Asgar, L. A. Rose, A. Osman, J. D. Kinnaird, P. Curry, R. Garry, R. Carvalho, A. P. Greaves and F. Drude. Play begins at 2.15 p.m.

## FOOTBALL.

## LEAGUE MATCHES.

All the teams in the League are engaged to-day, four matches having again been arranged. They are as follows:

R. E. v. R.A.M.C.—Played on the Military ground, kick off at 2.30 p.m. Teams:—R.E.—Power; Beardmore, Coxon; Walker, Edwards and Osmond; Le Grove; Meaney; and Taylor Shave. R.A.M.C.—Foulkes; Reaforn and Haigh; Simpkins, Harr and Wynn; Mills and Stanners; Crews; Hill and Jones. Referee, Corp. Edwards.

Buffes v. R.G.A. Played on the Military ground, kick off at 4 p.m. Teams:—Buffes—Fitzpatrick; Ruler and Bartlett; Dore, Wron and Tamsett; Kelly and Brewster; Taylor; Drew and Barker. R.G.A.—Beasley; Broughton and Waters; Weaver, Hodson and Hatton; Goss and McFarlane; Watt; Bellis and Referee, Sapper Heigh.

Yard United v. Club Lusitano. Played at Causeway Bay, kick off at 2.30. Teams:—Yard—Whiteway; Joughin and Bacon; Lusitano—Fusco and Harding; Raney and Pye; Coyne and Dalkill; Lusitano—R. C. Silva, Cordeiro and A. H. Hyndman; Frank Dales; Ross and Britto; H. A. Hyndman and Corvech; Yvanovich; J. E. Castro and F. H. Hyndman. Referee, Sergt. Walsh.

Y.M.C.A. v. Boys Own Club, played at Causeway Bay, kick off at 4 p.m. Teams:—Y.M.C.A.—Atkins; Van Ginkel and McCubbin; Hayne, Storrie and Hunter; Kelly and Wilson; Bavan; Clements and Bishop; B.O.C.—Pareria; A. Albas and H. G. White; Cordew, Chew and C. Remondos; Chyunut and Goldenberg; Y. Albas; Baptist; and Sequeira. Referee, Gunner Marsh.

## BASEBALL.

The baseball match will be played at the Happy Valley this afternoon, rain or fine.

## BOXING.

BURNS-JOHNSON FIGHT.

The following resolution was carried by the Anglican Synod sitting at Sydney on November 14th:

That this Synod hereby places upon record its emphatic protest against the refection cast upon the city of Sydney (and generally upon the State of New South Wales and the Commonwealth of Australia) on its being chosen as the scene of the degrading exhibition of a so-called "boxing contest" for a "record" money stake, fixed for the day following Christmas Day, and would express the hope that the Government of the State will promptly intervene to prevent a spectacle which, by its inherent brutality and dangerous nature, cannot fail to corrupt the moral tone of the community.

That his Grace the President of the Synod be requested to forward this resolution to the State Premier.

## RIFLE SHOOTING.

The match for "the white horse trophy competition" between the Volunteer Reserve Association's team and the Hongkong Volunteer Corps team arranged for this afternoon, has been postponed until to-morrow at 10 a.m. There will therefore be a practice about this afternoon at 200, 500 and 600 yard ranges, commencing at 2 p.m. The 200 yards range is closed at 3 p.m. The team chosen to represent the Association is as follows:—J. C. Gow, A. Jenkins, J. H. Pidgeon, J. Marshall, S. E. Green, L. G. Bird, R. Baker, C. Bond, A. Thornhill, W. L. Lescak. Reserves, Captain B. Branch, and W. J. Gast.

## SUPREME COURT.

Friday, December 18th.

## IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUDGE (SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT).

The Criminal Sessions have five charges, concerning ten men, to investigate. Two are murder, one wounding, one robbery, one larceny and one receiving stolen goods.

THE CHEONGSHAN MUDDER.

Chin Yuen Fuk was placed in the dock on a charge of murdering Choy Yung at Cheongshawan on Nov. 26th. The Attorney-General (the Hon. W. Rees Davies, K.C.) conducted the prosecution, while Mr. R. E. Bellis instructed by Mr. D'Almada Castro, from Messrs. Goldring, Barlow, and Morrell defended.

The following jury was empanelled:

Messrs. David A. Purvis, Henry Reeves, Hedley T. Richardson, Johannes P. Ulsterup, Thomas P. Hall (foreman), Henry Gittins, and Frederick Ellis.

The Attorney-General, in opening the case, said the deceased man lived at Cheongshawan, in the New Territory, and he and prisoner lived together in an un-numbered house. The murderer appeared to have arisen out of a quarrel between them on November 25th. The principal witness in the case was a stone carrier, and he would tell the jury that he was in the habit of visiting the house. On November 25th, the night before the affair took place, this witness went to the house, and while there a dispute arose between the prisoner and deceased as to a sum of a dollar and a half. The deceased man alleged that the accused had stolen this money from him. Subsequently there was a fight between the men outside. The following morning the same witness paid another visit to the house and found deceased sitting on a bed. Shortly afterwards prisoner came in and the quarrel was resumed on the same subject as the night before. After the dispute had been going on for some time, prisoner produced a knife, whereupon the deceased immediately ran out of the house, and was pursued by the prisoner with the knife. The witness followed and saw the prisoner come up with the deceased after a run of some 20 yards, catch hold of him by his queue, and stab him. Thereupon the deceased appeared to have held on to the prisoner by his queue and called out "Save life." The witness then run up, seized the prisoner snatched the knife from him, and called for assistance. Shortly afterwards another man came up with a rope, and he and the witness bound the prisoner. The story as to the quarrel and the murder would be borne out by a married woman living in a house near. Probably the only question the jury would have to decide was whether there was what was known as "malice aforethought," whether the fact of the quarrel the night before, the production of the knife, the following of deceased by the prisoner with the knife for some distance down the road, and then inflicting the stab upon him was "malice."

After hearing evidence, the case was adjourned until to-day.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (ACTING PUISNE JUDGE).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

His Lordship's judgment for \$402 and costs in the case in which Mr. O. D. Thomson sued Mak in Tong, compradores to Messrs. Reuter, Brockleman and Co., for \$950.65 for professional services.

## RECTOR, TOBACCO, AND ALE.

The Rev. Charles Hutchinson, rector of Rayne, Essex, has re-started smoking concerts at which he provides tobacco and ale for the men of the village. Speaking at one of these concerts last month he said: "Some say I am disgracing my cloth by the continuance of such a practice; others praise me. But I care neither for praise nor blame. When I first instituted bright entertainments in the village school the men did not come because the fatigues of field work made them long for the solace of pipe and ale. Thus the village inns had an advantage over me. So I said to the men: 'If you will come to my concerts you shall enjoy not only your well-earned tobacco but mugs of ale as well."

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The N.Y.K. str. *Wakasa Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai on the 18th inst., and is expected here on the 21st inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Nikko Maru* (Australian Line) left Nagasaki on the 18th inst., and is expected here on the 22nd inst.

The Appear str. *Appear* from Calcutta left Singapore on the 17th inst. afternoon, and may be expected here on or about the 23rd inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Sanuki Maru* (European Line) left Singapore on the 18th inst., and is expected here on the 23rd inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Shinano Maru* (American Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 18th inst., and is expected here on the 27th inst.

The I.G.M. str. *Prince Sigismund* has left Sydney on Wednesday the 16th inst. at 7 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 6th prox.

The Bank Line Limited str. *Interis* arrived at Kobe yesterday.

## THE NEW ARCHBISHOP OF YORK.

## FROM LAWYER TO ARCHBISHOP.

With reference to the appointment of the Right Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang, D.D., Bishop Suffragan of Stepney and Canon of St. Paul's, to succeed the Most Rev. Dr. Mandagie in the Archdiocese of York, the Times says:

The Bishop of Stepney needs no introduction either to Churchmen or to the public in general. One of the sons of Dr. Marshall Lang, for many years minister of the Barony parish in Glasgow, now Principal of Aberdeen University, and of his wife Hannah, daughter of Dr. Keith, minister of Hamilton, the new Archbishop was born on the last day of October, 1864, and has thus just completed his 44th year. He was educated at Glasgow University, and after a brief membership of King's College, Cambridge, migrated to Balliol, where he was elected to a scholarship in 1882. He took a second class in *Lat. Hum.* in 1885, and in the following year graduated with a first class in History. In 1888, being then a student at the Inner Temple, he was elected to an All Souls Fellowship, and had the honour of re-election in 1897. Those with whom he was reading for the Bar were not slow to detect his great possibilities; indeed, some of his Glasgow professors are perhaps the only persons who have ever expressed surprise that he should have made his mark so soon and so decisively.

But about 1889, when he was on the eve of being "called" he became conscious of a difference between him and the other members of the Anglican ministry. He was ordained deacon in 1890 and priest in 1891 by Dr. Stables, Bishop of Oxford, and became curate of the parish of Leicestershire, Leicestershire, under the present Bishop of Southwark. Three years later he returned to Oxford as Fellow of Magdalen and Dean of Divinity, to which he was added in 1894 the embencry of the University Church. It was here that his influence with men and the variety of his friendships came to be recognized as a promising force for good. In 1896, when the Bishop of St. Albans was consecrated to the See of Newcastle, Lord Salisbury chose Mr. Lang to succeed him in the great urban parish of Faversham, which had gone through a remarkable development under Canon Jacob. He took up that task aided by a small army of curates, and carried it through on his own lines. 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Hongkong, 17th December, 1908. [5]

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Hongkong, 8th December, 1908. [1650]

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MAINE INSURANCES.—Unions after further small sales at \$35, were done at \$40 the market closing with sellers at the latter rates. China Traders are enquired for at \$71. Yangtze have improved to 165 with buyers at no local sales. North China have further advanced to 105 and buyers at the rate remain unsatisfied. Canton after small sales at 197, close with buyers at 195.

TAIPEH INSURANCES.—Hongkong has been placed at the reduced rate of 325, while Chinas have improved further to 107, with buyers, after sales at 105 and 106.

SHIPPING.—With the exception of Shells, which have receded to 47, we have no changes or business to report under this heading.

REFINERIES.—We have no changes or business to report.

MINING.—Rains have declined to 9 with sales and close with sellers. Charbonnages have advanced to \$595 with buyers.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—A few Kowloon Wharves have changed hands at 43, the market closing fairly steady at that rate. New Amoy Docks are enquired for at 92. Shanghai Docks have declined to 73, and Hongkong Wharves to 135 in the north. Hongkong and Whampoa Docks continue quite out of favour and neglected.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have fallen to 92 with sellers. Hotels are still wanted at 80 without bringing any shares on the market. Shanghai Lands have improved to 117.

COTTON MILLS.—Yarn has been sold locally at 73 cent dividend of Th. 5 paid on the 16th inst., and have since improved in the north to 75 x 14 dividend, the rise being attributed by our private advices, to a speculative demand. Lao Kung Mows have receded to 56 and Soy Chies have improved to 270. Hongkong Cottons continue with sellers at 10.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Campbell and Moore are enquired for at 9, China Provinces at 92, Electricity at 181, the last after sales at that rate. Union Water Boats at 10, and Watkins at 2. Watsons have improved to 94 after sales at 92. Ices are easier with sellers at 225. Chinese Engineering have improved to 172 with buyers and no shares obtainable.

#### COTTON TRADE CONFERENCE.

#### MR. CHURCHILL'S PROPOSAL.

The President of the Board of Trade has addressed a letter to the Chairmen of the Amalgamated Association of Operative Cotton Spinners, the Amalgamated Association of Card and Blowing Room Operatives, the Federation of the Master Cotton Spinners' Association (Limited), and the Amalgamated Weavers Association in the following terms:—

"As you are aware, I followed with the utmost concern from day to day the various phases of the recent dispute in the cotton spinning trade. I greatly rejoice that an end to the conflict has been reached a week ago, and I congratulate both sides that they were able to arrive at a settlement by direct negotiations with each other.

"It has already been officially declared by both employers and operatives that strikes and lock-outs are disastrous and ought to be avoided. The Brocks' Agreement appears to have worked admirably—so far as it goes—and hitherto under its provision many disputes have been amicably settled. But the Brocks' Agreement is in itself incomplete. A supplementary scheme for ascertaining the actual state of trade—such as is generally known as the "sliding scale" or "conciliation scheme"—is its necessary counterpart.

"I am aware that during recent years much thought and consideration have been given on the part both of the employers and of the operatives' organisations to the elaboration of some equitable and practical scheme for attaining this object, and the Board of Trade are in possession of certain proposals which they understand have formed the basis of the conference. While, however, the general principle of such a scheme does not appear to be contested, I understand that it has not been found possible so far to overcome altogether the difficulties of detail which stand in the way of the completion of a generally acceptable arrangement.

"Feeling that the time has come when an earnest and determined effort ought in the public interest to be made to arrive at a mutually satisfactory agreement for the prevention of future disputes as to wages in the cotton trade, I have decided to invite representatives from all parties concerned to meet me in conference at the offices of the Board of Trade. It would be desirable for both employers and operatives to bring their own accountants. I should propose that the expense of any inquiry that may result from the conference should be borne by the State. Any scheme agreed upon under the auspices of the Board of Trade, while, of course, in no way binding on the various parties represented, might be confidently submitted for adoption by the several organisations concerned."

The letter concludes with a request for notification whether the different organisations will send representatives, and mentioning that on receiving a favourable reply intimation of the date of the conference and the number of suggested representatives will be forwarded.

#### WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 18th at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has fallen very rapidly in E. Japan owing to the depression which is now moving towards the N.E. over Hokkaido.

An anticyclonic area of considerable intensity now lies over China to the North of the Yangtze, and the barometer has risen quickly over N. China.

Pressure is relatively low over the N. part of the China Sea, and gradients are rather steep along the coast of S. China.

N. and N.E. winds, strong to a gale, are expected to prevail in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to day, 0.12 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood...(\*). N.E. gale.

Formosa Channel N. to N.E. gale.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau. N. to N.E. gale.

Hongkong and Lantau. Same as No. 3.

Hongkong and Hainan. Same as No. 3.

(\*). N. and N.E. winds, strong breeze to moderate gale; rainy, colder.

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There ought to be no need to labour the necessity for the prohibition of promiscuous spitting in the Market. But it evidently is necessary to explain and emphasize the peril of this disgusting practice. As certain as the increase in the trade and smokiness of Calcutta is the increase that has taken place, and continues to take place, in consumption, chronic bronchitis and asthma, and other disease of the lungs and air passages. This increase is so great as almost to be alarming. It is well known, even to the most ignorant, that the most fruitful cause of the transmission of tuberculosis and diphtheria is the spittle of diseased persons, either dried and wind borne and so inhaled, or deposited directly on articles of food. The danger of the habit in the closed in New Market, where hundreds of feet keep the dust in motion, where acres of open stalls expose to this dust of all manner of food stuffs is self evident. It must be patent on the slightest reflection to the most dense individual. Therefore there ought to be no need again to call the attention of the Health Officer and the City Fathers to the matter. It is to be hoped that they will shortly take steps to put a stop to one of the avenues by which consumption is being spread in Calcutta.—*Calcutta Englishman*.

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#### CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's CATHEDRAL Hongkong, 20th December, 4th Sun in Advent. Morning Prayer (7.30 a.m.) Matins (11 a.m.) (Full Choir). Responses, Ferial, Venite, Tunc, Psalms, of the 23rd morning, (11 a.m.) Benedic, Be it C; Jubilate, Goods; Anthem, "Sleepers Wake," Miserere, Holy Communion (12 noon). Kyrie, Smart in F; Hymns 51 and 49. N.B.—Psalms 102, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 103, Verses 1, 8, 17, 19, 21 and 32 in unison. Psalms 104, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 105, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 106, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 107, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 108, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 109, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 110, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 111, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 112, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 113, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 114, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 115, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 116, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 117, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 118, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 119, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 120, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 121, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 122, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 123, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 124, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 125, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 126, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 127, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 128, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 129, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 130, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 131, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 132, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 133, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 134, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 135, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 136, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 137, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 138, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 139, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 140, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 141, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 142, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 143, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 144, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 145, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 146, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 147, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 148, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 149, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 150, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 151, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 152, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 153, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in unison. Psalms 154, Verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25 and 34 in

## SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.  
BORNED, German str., 1,344, F. Semill, 18th Dec.—Sandakan 12th Dec., Timber and General—Melchers & Co.  
CHOY-SANG, British str., 18th Dec.—Canton.  
GYREYAL, British str., 3,846, Steel, 17th Dec.—Newcastle and Port 20th Nov., Coal—Messageries Maritimes.  
FOOSHUNG, British str., 1,423, F. Lishman, 17th December—Chinkiang 13th Dec., General—C. M. S. N. & Co.  
FUKURA MARU, Japanese str., 1,946, Sakamoto, 17th Dec.—Möji 11th Dec., Coal—Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kwaisha.  
HAIMUN, British str., 635, Evans, 18th Dec.—Syutow 17th December, General—Douglas, Lomax & Co.  
HEIN CHI, Chinese str., 1,395, Jamison, 18th Dec.—Shanghai 14th Dec., General—Chinse.  
KNTSHEKUO, German steamer, 546, Honk, 18th December—Haiphong via Hoikow 16th December, Rice—Johann & Co.  
PHRANANG, German str., 1,021, Fr. v. Mangendorf, 18th Dec.—Bunglook and Syutow 17th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.  
SHIDETORO MARU, Japanese str., Atsumi, 18th Dec.—Tairin 11th December, Coal—Osaka Shoson Kaisha.  
SINGAN, British str., 1,097, Jamieson, 18th Dec.—Haiphong via Hoikow 15th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.  
TAISHUN, Chinese str., 18th Dec.—Canton.  
TANING, British str., 1,950, Somerville, 18th Dec.—Mactan 15th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.  
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.  
18th December.  
Changchow, British str., for Canton.  
Chayang, British str., for Shanghai.  
Hainan, British str., for Swatow.  
Hsin Chi, Chinese str., for Canton.  
Nanchang, British str., for Shanghai.  
Zafiro, British str., for Manila.

DEPARTURES.  
18th December.

DERFFLINGER, German str., for Shanghai.  
FEICHING, Chinese str., for Shanghai.  
HAITAN, British str., for Swatow.  
HANOI, French str., for Haiphong.  
HUEH, British str., for Haiphong.  
KAIFONG, British str., for Cebu.  
KINGHONG, British str., for Shanghai.  
KUEICHOW, British str., for Batavia.  
KUMERIC, British str., for Manila.  
LOONGANG, British str., for Manila.  
LUOHOU, British str., for Amoy.  
OHL, British str., for Moji.  
PEPSIA, Australian str., for Shanghai.  
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December 18th.

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On 19th Jan., 09  
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Hongkong, 14th December, 1908. [1]

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LONDON &c. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	DELTA	Brit. str.	—	B. W. H. Snow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 26th inst., at Noon.
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HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ISTRIA	Ger. str.	—	Luning	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 11th Jan.
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HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	C. FRED. LAMIEZ	Ger. str.	—	Wagner	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 28th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SEAVONIA	Ger. str.	—	Peter	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 22nd Feb.
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	ANDALUSIA	Fr. str.	—	Boyer	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 22nd inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & COPENHAGEN	DUMBEA	Fr. str.	—	C. D. Bennett, B.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 20th March.
MARSEILLES & LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	SIAM	Brit. str.	—	H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSHI KAISHA	On 20th March.
GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON, & ANTWERP, &c.	HIBANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Nielan	NIPPON YUSHI KAISHA	On 24th March.
MARSEILLES, LONI ON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	WAKASA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Geo. Anderson	NIPPON YUSHI KAISHA	On 23rd inst., at D'light.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SADO MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Formes	MELCHERS & CO.	On 6th Jan., at D'light.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, &c.	BURELOW	Ger. str.	—	G. Rott	SANDRE, WIELER & CO.	On 30th inst.
PRINZES ALICE	PRINZES ALICE	Aus. str.	—	Nitsche	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 10th March.
E. F. FERDINAND	LENNOX	Brit. str.	—	Williams	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 22nd inst.
LENNOX	SIKK	Brit. str.	—	T. L. Harrison	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO. LTD.	On 26th inst.
INDRAWADI	INDRAWADI	Brit. str.	—	K. Kawara	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 19th Jan.
MUNICHE-CASTLE	MUNICHE-CASTLE	Brit. str.	—	J. Boyd	NIPPON YUSHI KAISHA	On 2nd March.
EMPEROR OF INDIA	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	—	L. Dawson	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 14th Jan.
MONTEAGLE	TONKIN	Jap. str.	—	A. E. Moses	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd inst., at 4 P.M.
TONKIN	SHINANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. Iske	NIPPON YUSHI KAISHA	On 24th inst., at Noon.
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TONKIN	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—	Peter	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO. LTD.	On 17th Jan.
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TONKIN	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—	I. Sakurai	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst., at 8 A.M.
TONKIN	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—	V. Kaburagi	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO. LTD.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
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TONKIN	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—	Passmore	Douglas, Laffair & Co.	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
TONKIN	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—	Hodgins	Douglas, Laffair & Co.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
TONKIN	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—	Jameson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst., at 10 A.M.
TONKIN	ZANIRO	Jap. str.	—	R. Rodger	SHIRWAN, TOME & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
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SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & SUNDA	Capt. G. M. Monford, R.N.E.	About 23rd Dec.	Freight and Passage.
and YOKOHAMA		Dec.	
ASSAYE	Capt. C. L. Daniel	About 25th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI			
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	DELTA	Neon, 26th Dec.	See Special
OF CALL	Capt. B. W. H. Snow	Dec.	Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP	SICILIA	On 30th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO PORT	Capt. C. H. Watkins, R.N.E.	Dec.	
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HOIHOW and HAIPHONG	"SINGAN" .....	On 21st Dec., 10 A.M.
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Capt. Pasmore		
"HAIYANG"	SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	FRIDAY, 25th Dec., at Noon.
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SHANGHAI	"YATSHING" .....	Monday, 21st Dec., 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KOONSHING" .....	Monday, 21st Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, WEI	"NAMSANG" .....	Tuesday, 22nd Dec., 4 P.M.
HAIWEI, CHEFOO & CHENGWANG	"CHEONGSHING" .....	Wednesday, 23rd Dec., Noon.
MALINA	"YUENSANG" .....	Thursday, 24th Dec., 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG" .....	Saturday, 26th Dec., Noon.
MALINA	"LOONGSANG" .....	Friday, 31st Dec., 4 P.M.
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Hongkong, 19th December, 1908. 16

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## POST OFFICE NOTICE

The Public are informed that the next outgoing Parcel Mail to Europe will be closed in this office on Christmas Eve Thursday, 24th instant, at 5 p.m.

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dalny and Siberia.

25th December... at 10.00 a.m.

31st December... at 8.30 p.m.

8th January... at 10.00 a.m.

The Tonkin, with the French mail of the 26th November, leaves Saigon on Saturday, the 13th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday the 22nd instant, at daylight. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 17th October.

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Saturday, 19th, 1.00 P.M.

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### EVOLUTION OF THE COQUETTE.

#### THE TRUE WOMAN'S INSTINCT.

[By LADY VIOLET GREVILLE.]

The coquette, like the business man or the poet, is born, not made. Here is the divine spark that comes from Heaven or from the Goddess Venus; she is the pure woman.

When a girl has no flirtatious instincts, she is a doll, mother, grannie even, but not woman. That is the essential quality man loves in her; that indefinable flattery something which constitutes the eternal attraction of us.

#### BEGINNING EARLY.

The coquette begins her career early. The baby girl flirts with her papa or any other male creature available, her manner to her female relations is already tinged with a difference, a chilliness, an aloofness of disdain. The man's watch ticks louder he is never tired of showing it and opening it for her as she sits on his knee; he carries her on his shoulder firmly, with comfort and assurance. Already she feels his subjugation, and plays upon his patience, looking up lovingly into his eyes. She knows her power, and when once she has felt that, she is the woman all over.

Think not that her joy in dress, in the little kid about she spreads out so proudly, the pink scarf, the glossy curly shaken out daintily from their ugly paper envelope, is pure vanity. No! It is the delight of the soldier in his weapons, the symbol of power, of that empire over men's hearts, the only solid empire which she intends to wield to the end of time. How poor and mean and bald is the existence of a woman who has never seen a man pale in her presence, who has not counted his heart-beats and revelled in his confusion; who has never rejoiced in her power, as the youth does in strength. She has the whole world to conquer, and she has not annexed even one small province!

The baby girl understands her own value; she is not to be put off with second-hand appraisements or mock auctions. Passed out of the stage of short frocks and lanky silk-stocked legs, she tries her hand on her brothers' friends, schoolboys, inflammable and stupid. Oh! the chocolates she will devour; the compliments, the toffee, the crackers, the nossegays she requires; all the thousand and one desires of the young animal till real real time comes and she plummets into the sea of love! Not but what the mimic loves of girlhood are pleasant, too; the surreptitious little billets, the name scratched on the bark of a tree, the haughty indifference going into church, the shy glances over the hymn book, and the sweet smile going out; the stolen kiss in the passage, the flower worn so aggressively; all these are the likely skirmishes, the light engagements that precede the glorious victory.

THE POET'S VISION.

The great poet of the coquette is Browning. He understands their maddening charm, their heartlessness, their sincerity, their allurement, their "besoin d'amour," their weakness, and their strength. How in every good thing is evil, in all evil some good.

"She should never have looked at me," he says.

"If she meant I should not love her."

"Ah! the first can not help it. She must look."

"Hark! Those two in the hazel coppice—A boy and a girl, if the good Fates please, Making love, say—"

The happier they.

Draw yourself up from the light of the moon.

And led them pass, as they will too soon,

With the bean-flower's bloom,

And the blackbird's tune,

And May and June."

The progress of the flirt.

"Oh, woman country, woed not wed,

Loved all the more by earth's male-hands,

Laid to their hearts instead."

Who has not seen the change in the young girl when at last she has a lover, her blushes, her pretty repressed laugh, her tender sighs, her furtive looks, and all the dear little arts and ways of which she is already the past-mistress, the coyness and shyness, the sensitiveness of sight and hearing, the womanly scheming and decision and sense of authority? It is the coquette breaking out through the simplest of maidens, who hid behind her mother's skirts and dared not say bo! to a goose, but now she stands up square and straight, calm, smiling, erect, unconquered, in the face of the man who loves her!

The touch of the coquette in woman is what lifts her above the sordidness of life, gives her an ideal, and stamps her soul with dignity. Every man is in her eyes a possible Sir Galahad; it is only when she finds out his poverty of achievement, his poor and futile self that she despises him, and passes on. Her whole life is spent in this quest of the ideal, in pursuit of her affinity. She aspires to the heavens, and has sometimes to be content with a back attic in Bloomsbury. She who thirsted for the nectar of the gods is forced to haggle over the price of bacon or the size of a potato. This is the true tragedy of woman, the true breaking of the butterfly's wings with which she meant to soar to Paradise.

#### DESIRE FOR EMPIRE.

The coquette's ambition is sometimes immeasurable. She seeks to captivate bot sexes, as did that arch-flirt Josephine, who was charming to all, and had a pleasant word for everybody. The desire for empire is no masculine vice, it is of the very essence of woman. Clumsy creatures become scolds, take to high words, cross looks, much railing of servants, and fault-finding of husbands who stay out late, but the true coquette makes the husband stay at home, because he cannot help it. She is too sweet to leave, and besides—he is a little bit jealous. Jealousy is the spur of hating love, it pricks up the failing strength, it infuses fresh vigour and brings out latent if forgotten power. The flirt plays with jealousy as the old magicians did with love-philtre. It is the true love-philtre, the eternal stimulant. Thus the first keeps alive the divine fire of love, as the ancient vestals did, silently, with cautions, devout tending. For, as has been wisely said, "A man's good work is effected by doing what he does. A woman's by being what she is."

The very best, the nicest women, have a touch of the coquette about them, a self-consciousness, a delicate humility, a desire to stand well with those they love, which shows itself in the pretty dressing-gown, the new beribboned cap, the best gown put on for the benefit of the doctor, the lawyer, the clergyman, the lover, be he old or young, rich or poor, nice or nasty. It is the true woman's instinct, the care for her dear body, and like every natural instinct it is the right one. The woman who neglects it may be as learned as Mme. Dacier, as clever as Queen Elizabeth, but she will never wield any influence over men. It was Queen Elizabeth's coquetry that made her wise, her knowledge of men, of the art of setting one suitor against the other, of wheedling, tantalizing, and flattery. Mary, her sister, was honest, ingrate, chaste, but she could not even keep the husband she adored, and died alone, brokenhearted:—Dame Maff.

### IS AUSTRALIA SLIPPING INTO THE SEA?

(FROM "THE GLOBE'S" SYDNEY CORRESPONDENT.)

Professor David, who holds the chair of Geology and Physical Geography in Sydney University, and is at present enjoying a break holiday in company with Lieutenant Shackleton's Antarctic Expedition, is a man of many unorthodox ideas, and among them is one, the effect that the eastern coast line of the Commonwealth, including the new South Wales Metropolis, is gradually slipping into the Pacific Ocean. It appears that some few months ago the Government of that State had a test cylinder sunk in Sydney Harbour with a view to ascertaining the nature of the formation which will rest the piers intended to support the proposed bridge to connect the two opposite shores. The Professor descended the cylinder to a depth of ninety feet below high-water mark, where he found the formation to consist on peaty material—stems, leaves, and seeds of plants intermixed with a tough mucilous clay. This was at a depth of about forty feet below the bed of the harbour, from the harbour bottom down to the level reached by Professor David, the deposits consisted principally of sand, with marine shells. The peaty formation was not fossilised, and could not have been more than a couple of thousand years old. The Professor thinks it probable that when the peaty material was laid down the harbour was much shallower than at present.

Evidences in favour of this view has been afforded by the results of investigation in other parts of the harbour, and at different places on the coast. In boring for coal a few miles north of Sydney port beds were encountered about twenty feet below sea level. When sinking for the foundations of the great railway bridge across the Hawkesbury River, trunks of large trees were met with at a depth of about seventy feet below sea level. Further north, during the sinking in connection with the Hunter River delta, in Newcastle, a large amount of woody material and coarse river gravel, was passed through at depths, in places of considerably more than a hundred feet below sea-level, the material marking the former level of the old bay, before the submergence took place. At Fingal Bay, Port Stephens, north of Newcastle, beds of sand can be traced down the low-tide level, dipping considerably thence; while bore for coal in the vicinity has passed through a bed of peat one hundred feet below sea level. In cutting a canal in one of the creeks in Sydney Harbour, a submerged forest of large honeysuckle trees, together with a bed of peat was found at a depth of fifteen feet below high-water level. A remarkable circumstance in connection with the discovery was the finding of a couple of aboriginal stone tombs in the peat, showing that the work of submergence must have taken place within a comparatively recent period.

All this evidence, according to Professor David, points to the fact that there has been, in recent geological days, a subsidence of a considerable portion of the New South Wales coastline, amounting to something like a couple of hundred feet. "This," he says, "has admitted the waters of the Pacific Ocean to the old land valleys, and thus the great estuaries, such as Broken Bay and Port Hacking, and harbours like Port Jackson and Botany Bay, are simply what American geologists term 'drowned valleys.'"

This raises the question as to whether the work of submergence is still going on. But the evidence on this point is somewhat scanty. At Large, on the Hunter River, there are extensive beds of marine shells of recent origin, elevated fifteen feet above sea-level, and in some parts of Sydney Harbour, encrustations oyster-shells are frequently met with at a distance of ten feet above high-water mark. The difficulty in making observations and calculations concerning over a number of years consists in the fact that the sea-level is not an unalterable quantity. The constant shrinking of the earth, owing to its cooling, is supposed to have the effect of making the oceans deeper and narrower, and the land surface more extensive.

In the course of his remarks Professor David explained that if there should occur, by any phenomenal change, such a rise of temperature in the Arctic and Antarctic regions as would convert the ice collected there into water all the low-lying parts of the New South Wales coast would become submerged. The ice-bound regions, representing about one-fortieth part of the surface of the globe, hold sufficient ice, if melted, to raise all the oceans of the world several feet. Such a contingency is, however, unlikely, by reason of the earth becoming cooler instead of warmer. But a theory has been raised as to whether the slipping away of the New South Wales coast is not in some measure due to the gradual moving of a "fold" in the earth's crust, which is visible in the geological strata in portions of the coastal side of the Blue Mountain ranges. This view of the matter is being carefully investigated. Meanwhile, it has been pointed out that there are large accumulations of flood waters in the bed of the Nepean River, the upper part of the Hawkesbury, their weight causes a disturbance in the land level, which is distinctly noticeable in the instruments at the Sydney Observatory, and which disappears as the floods subside.

#### NEW PARLOUR GAME.

There are real possibilities of skill and fun in the new game, "Pop-in-Tow," and we should not be surprised if it has a great vogue. There are four wooden shovels of different colours, four cone-shaped holders of corresponding colours, to place on the table, and a score of hollow steel balls. The game is to be the first to deposit your five balls into your cone. You have to pick up the balls with the shovel, adopting the same movement as is used in picking up a tennis ball with a racket. But having got the ball on the shovel, the next thing is to roll it off into the not too-wide-mouthed cone. Here is where the fun comes in. It seems easier to fill the cones of an opponent—the cones are placed on the floor, and the worst of it is, the mistake counts to "the other side." With a little practice the game becomes fast if not furious. Laughter is inevitable, but laughter is part of the fun which only adds to the amusement.

#### 120 MILES IN AN HOUR.

The New York correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* states that arrangements are being made by the Pennsylvania Railroad to electrify the route of 120 miles dividing Philadelphia, the third largest city in America, from New York, and to reduce the running time from two hours to one hour. Contracts for 100 electric locomotives, and for power plants capable of generating 25,000 horse-power, have already been let to the Westinghouse Electric Company. These locomotives will be capable of making 120 miles an hour. The initial electrification contract was for £1,000,000. The very high rate of speed necessary to cut an hour on the present running time from New York to Philadelphia, was expected to generate enormous rail pressure, but the tests made by the Pennsylvania Line with electric locomotives prove that the proposed one-hour schedules could be maintained without danger.

### FASHIONS AND FANCIES.

#### ADVISABILITY OF BACKGROUND.

It was the late Mrs. Haweis who advocated the careful arrangement of a pretty woman's background in her now forgotten book on Beauty. The difficulty about this is that one cannot very well carry one's background, however becoming it may be, out into the world with one. But a clever woman has devised a means of doing so, at least so far as her very charming profile is concerned. She wears very large hats, the brim invariably lined with some dark colour, and she so tilts these hats that on the right side the brim forms a very highly effective background for the left side of her face. The left side is, for some unknown reason, almost always better than the right. And so this very pretty woman in her best when coiffed with one of the hasty chapeaux of the hour. As a matter of course, the brim of the hat rises very high on the left side showing the hair most carefully arranged about the little pink-tinged ear with its large pearl earring. She was among the most admired at Newmarket last week in a green costume and a green satin hat braided to match her gown and coat.

#### THE BRAIDED HAT.

This is among the features of the season. It is usually braided in its own colour, sometimes in a darker or a paler shade. Occasionally, but not often, the braid is in a contrasting tint, as verdegris green being the result, and tones of dull metal are all the rage. The patterns of these braiding must be so arranged as to show a fair amount of the hat beneath them. Otherwise much of the effect would be lost. An emerald satin-braided in dark frog green looks well. So does a purple velvet braided in an Egyptian design in black. The velvet coat is in the same colours, purple and black, and the skirt is cloth, also purple, and braided in a wide band up the front in black. With it is worn a stole in the new silvered fox, a better imitation of the real than has ever been achieved before. The man who has invested will probably reap a large fortune. And a black ottoman braided in dull gold is worn with a cashmere tan-coloured skirt made with a waistcoat in tan ottoman turned back with velvet in a deeper tone and a black ottoman short-waisted coat trimmed with black velvet buttons.

#### THE TIGHT SLEEVE.

Sleeves grow tighter and tighter. They closely mould the arms from shoulders to wrists, and then fall like mittens over the back of the hands. This revolution or evolution, whichever it may be, will make many bargains for the January sales in the shape of gowns that will be drearily "dotted" by any fulness in the sleeves. Economise, be on the look-out! For it is fairly easy to make full sleeves into tight ones, work that can be done by maid or little dressmaker, but impossible to undertake with the hundreds upon hundreds of gowns in the large drapery emporia. Here will be a fine chance for the many thousands who care but little whether their sleeves are of this year's fashion or of last.

#### THE NEW SATIN CLOTH.

There was a material of the name some twenty years ago, but its successor in the field of fashion is much softer and more silken. It is used for coats as well as for costumes, and has a fine gloss. The colours, of course, are beautiful—I say "of course" because the autumn dress colours of this year are unusually lovely—and in fabric woven of fine wool with a certain amount of silk these tints would be at their best. In dead leaf green a coat of satin cloth is made to fit the shoulders, then widening into a ample in the skirts. The fronts and the collar, also the edges of the wide sleeves, have a trimming of embroidered filet—not in the tints associated with autumn, brown, gold, amber, russet, heather, pink, dull greens, and faint water blues, a very beautiful amalgam in which none is too prominent but all are subordinated to the character of the pattern. This coat is lined with white satin, a narrow, dull gold braid binding the junction of the two materials at the waist.

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